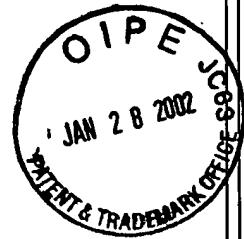


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In re Application of )  
Peter Geistlich et al. ) Box Missing Parts  
Application No. 09/988,805 )  
Filed: November 20, 2001 )  
For: RESORBABLE EXTRACELLULAR MATRIX  
FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF CARTILAGE

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) dated November 30, 2001, response copy attached, a Declaration and Power of Attorney identifying the above-referenced application by Serial Number and Filing Date is being herewith submitted. A check for the fees are attached hereto. Please charge any additional fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2135.

\$ 65.00 (surcharge under 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e))  
370.00 (basic filing fee)  
**\$ 435.00 TOTAL**

An additional copy of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

The following document is being submitted concurrently under separate cover:

-- an Assignment with PTO 1619 Form and the \$40.00 requisite fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION****FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)*****Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 435.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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